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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of : December 1, 2004  
W.J. Andres, et al : Group Art No.: 3627  
Serial No. 09/784,918 : Examiner: S. McAllister  
Filed: February 16, 2001 : for IBM Corporation  
Anne Vachon Dougherty  
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR 3173 Cedar Road  
PROVIDING INTEGRATED Yorktown Hts, NY 10598  
INVENTORY CONTROL OF  
TIME-SENSITIVE INVENTORY

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 2, 2004 for the above-identified patent application, Applicants submit a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the following:

Amendment to the Specification as set forth on pages 2-4.

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 5.

Remarks/Arguments which begin on page 11.

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